

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7687–S7761

Measures Introduced: Nineteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3144–3162, S. Res. 437–439, and S. Con. Res. 19. **Pages S7720–21**

Measures Reported:

H.R. 2044, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 17 East Main Street in Herington, Kansas, as the “Captain Emil J. Kapaun Post Office Building”.

H.R. 3419, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 66 Meserole Avenue in Brooklyn, New York, as the “Joseph R. Lentol Post Office”.

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Measures Passed:

National Family Service Learning Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 439, expressing support for the designation of the week of November 1 through November 5, 2021, as “National Family Service Learning Week”.

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Tomb of the Unknown Soldier 100th anniversary commemoration: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 19, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the dedication of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

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Measures Considered:

John R. Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Act: By 50 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 459), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 4, to amend the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to revise the criteria for determining which States and political subdivisions are subject to section 4 of the Act.

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Senator Schumer entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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Santos Nomination—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the nomination of Robert Luis Santos, of Texas, to be Director of the Census.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, November 4, 2021; and that notwithstanding Rule XXII, at 11 a.m., Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Michael Lee Connor, of Colorado, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination; that upon disposition of the nomination of Michael Lee Connor, of Colorado, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Robert Luis Santos, of Texas, to be Director of the Census, ripen, and that if cloture is invoked, the vote on confirmation of the nomination of Robert Luis Santos, of Texas, to be Director of the Census be at 1:45 p.m.

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Motion to Discharge Sung Nomination: Pursuant to S. Res. 27, Committee on the Judiciary being tied on the question of reporting, the Majority Leader made the motion to discharge the Committee on the Judiciary from further consideration of the nomination of Jennifer Sung, of Oregon, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

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By 50 yeas to 49 nays, Vice President voting yea (Vote No. EX. 462), Senate agreed to the motion to discharge the nomination from the Committee on the Judiciary. Subsequently, the nomination was placed on the Executive Calendar pursuant to the provisions of S. Res. 27, relative to Senate procedure in the 117th Congress.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 78 yeas to 21 nays (Vote No. EX. 457), Benjamin Harris, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

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By 59 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. EX. 458), Isobel Coleman, of New York, to be a Deputy Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

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By 54 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. EX. 460), Jeffrey M. Prieto, of California, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

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By 52 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. EX. 461), Rajesh D. Nayak, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

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Thomas R. Nides, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the State of Israel.

Adrienne Wojciechowski, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

Michael Carpenter, of the District of Columbia, to be U.S. Representative to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, with the rank of Ambassador.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Kendra Davis Briggs, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Georgette Castner, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.

Jacqueline Scott Corley, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California.

Ruth Bermudez Montenegro, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of California.

Julie Rebecca Rubin, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland.

Cristina D. Silva, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada.

Leonard Philip Stark, of Delaware, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit.

Trina L. Thompson, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California.

Anne Rachel Traum, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada.

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Nomination Discharged: The following nomination were discharged from further committee consideration and placed on the Executive Calendar:

Jennifer Sung, of Oregon, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, which was sent to the Senate on July 13, 2021, from the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—462)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 8:09 p.m., until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 4, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7761.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Judith DelZoppo Pryor, of Ohio, to be First Vice President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, Owen Edward Herrnsstadt, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, Matthew S. Axelrod, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and Reta Jo Lewis, of Georgia, to be President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

AVIATION SAFETY REFORM

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine implementation of aviation safety reform, after receiving testimony from Stephen M. Dickson, Administrator, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine programs at the Economic Development Administration, after receiving testimony from Alejandra Castillo, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development, Economic Development Administration; James Leiman, North Dakota Department of Commerce Commissioner, Bismarck; Amy Liu, The Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.; J. Michael Bowman, University of Delaware, Newark; and Shane Whitehair, Region VII Planning and Development Council, Buckhannon, West Virginia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Chris Magnus, of Arizona, to be Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Lisa A. Carty, of Maryland, to be Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during her tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America on the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, Barbara A. Leaf, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary (Near Eastern Affairs), Elizabeth Anne Noseworthy Fitzsimmons, of Delaware, to be Ambassador to the Togolese Republic, David R. Gilmour, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, Patricia Mahoney, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Central African Republic, Peter Hendrick Vrooman, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mozambique, Peter D. Haas, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of Bangladesh, and Julie Chung, of California, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, Brian Wesley Shukan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Benin, Jonathan Eric Kaplan, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, R. Nicholas Burns, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of China, Rahm Emanuel, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to Japan, Julissa Reynoso Pantaleon, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Spain, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Principality of Andorra, all of the Department of State, Atul Atmaram Gawande, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, and routine lists in the Foreign Service.

U.S. CYBERSECURITY POLICY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee received a closed briefing on U.S. cybersecurity policy from Brett Holmgren, Assistant Secretary for Intelligence and Research, Christopher Robinson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, Gharun Lacy, Deputy Assistant Secretary and Assistant Director, Directorate of Cyber and Technology Security, Bureau of Diplomatic Security, and Donna S. Bennett, Enterprise Chief Information Se-

curity Officer, Bureau of Information Resource Management, all of the Department of State.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

H.R. 2662, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2991, to establish a Department of Homeland Security Center for Countering Human Trafficking, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3035, to establish the Artificial Intelligence Hygiene Working Group, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2993, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish in the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency the National Cyber Exercise Program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2491, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the National Cyber Resilience Assistance Fund, to improve the ability of the Federal Government to assist in enhancing critical infrastructure cyber resilience, to improve security in the national cyber ecosystem, to address Systemically Important Critical Infrastructure, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2540, to make technical corrections to title XXII of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2274, to authorize the Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency to establish an apprenticeship program and to establish a pilot program on cybersecurity training for veterans and members of the Armed Forces transitioning to civilian life, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2322, to require a pilot program on the participation of non-asset-based third-party logistics providers in the Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2793, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to establish an enhanced use lease pilot program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2541, to authorize the reclassification of the tactical enforcement officers (commonly known as the "Shadow Wolves") in the Homeland Security Investigations tactical patrol unit operating on the lands of the Tohono O'odham Nation as special agents, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1941, to direct the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to standardize the use of core-based statistical area designations across Federal programs, to allow between 120 and 180 days for public comment on any proposed change to such designations, and to report on the scientific basis and estimated impact to Federal programs for any proposed change to such designations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2838, to require the Director of the Government Publishing Office to establish and maintain an online portal accessible to the public that allows the public to obtain electronic copies of all congressionally mandated reports in one place;

S. 419, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for a full annuity supplement for certain air traffic controllers;

S. 442, to amend title 40, United States Code, to require the Administrator of General Services to procure the most life-cycle cost effective and energy efficient lighting products and to issue guidance on the efficiency, effectiveness, and economy of those products;

S. 2989, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance the Blue Campaign of the Department of Homeland Security, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 138, to waive certain pay limitations for Department of Agriculture and Department of the Interior employees engaged in emergency wildland fire suppression activities, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 4426, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to ensure that the needs of children are considered in homeland security planning;

H.R. 2617, to amend section 1115 of title 31, United States Code, to amend the description of how performance goals are achieved;

H.R. 4363, to establish a daily public reporting requirement for covered contract awards of the Department of Homeland Security, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 3419, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 66 Meserole Avenue

in Brooklyn, New York, as the “Joseph R. Lentol Post Office”;

H.R. 2044, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 17 East Main Street in Herington, Kansas, as the “Captain Emil J. Kapaun Post Office Building”; and

The nominations of Ernest W. DuBester, of Virginia, and Susan Tsui Grundmann, of Virginia, both to be a Member, and Kurt Thomas Rumsfeld, of Maryland, to be General Counsel, all of the Federal Labor Relations Authority.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Gabriel P. Sanchez, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Linda Lopez, and Jinsook Ohta, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, who were all introduced by Senators Feinstein and Padilla, Samantha D. Elliott, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Hampshire, who was introduced by Senators Shaheen and Hassan, Katherine Marie Menendez, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota, who was introduced by Senator Klobuchar, and David Herrera Urias, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico, who was introduced by Senators Heinrich and Luján, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

VA AND DOD COLLABORATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense collaboration, focusing on improving outcomes for servicemembers and veterans, after receiving testimony from Donald M. Remy, Deputy Secretary of Veterans Affairs; Gilbert R. Cisneros, Jr., Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness); Nicholas J. Armstrong, Syracuse University Institute for Veterans and Military Families, Syracuse, New York; Mike Hutchings, Combined Arms, Tiverton, Rhode Island; and Thomas R. Winkel, Arizona Coalition for Military Families, Phoenix.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 5830–5852; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 58; and H. Res. 766–771 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3193, to amend the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 to provide for a high-speed broadband deployment initiative (H. Rept. 117–171, Part 1); and

H.R. 4252, to provide additional funding for scholarships for students at 1890 institutions, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–172). **Page H6177**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:03 p.m. and reconvened at 3:16 p.m. **Page H6156**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures: Fiscal State of the Nation Resolution: H. Con. Res. 44, amended, providing for a joint hearing of the Committees on the Budget of the House of Representatives and the Senate to receive a presentation from the Comptroller General of the United States regarding the audited financial statement of the executive branch;

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Reinforcing Nicaragua's Adherence to Conditions for Electoral Reform Act of 2021: S. 1064, to advance the strategic alignment of United States diplomatic tools toward the realization of free, fair, and transparent elections in Nicaragua and to reaffirm the commitment of the United States to protect the fundamental freedoms and human rights of the people of Nicaragua, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 387 yeas to 35 nays with four answering "present", Roll No. 354; and

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Expressing solidarity with Cuban citizens demonstrating peacefully for fundamental freedoms, condemning the Cuban regime's acts of repression, and calling for the immediate release of arbitrarily detained Cuban citizens: H. Res. 760, expressing solidarity with Cuban citizens demonstrating peacefully for fundamental freedoms, condemning the Cuban regime's acts of repression, and calling for the immediate release of arbitrarily detained Cuban citizens, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 382 yeas to 40 nays with four answering "present", Roll No. 355. **Pages H6151–56, H6157–58**

Protect Older Job Applicants Act: The House considered H.R. 3992, to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 to prohibit em-

ployers from limiting, segregating, or classifying applicants for employment. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, November 4th. **Pages H6158–67**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 117–14 shall be considered as adopted, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and Labor now printed in the bill.

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Proceedings Postponed:

Pappas amendment (No. 1 printed in part E of H. Rept. 117–137) that seeks to require the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission to conduct a study on the number of job applicants impacted by age discrimination in the job application process and issue recommendations on addressing age discrimination in the job application process; and

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Keller amendment (No. 2 printed in part E of H. Rept. 117–137) that seeks to require a GAO study to determine whether not allowing claims of disparate impact discrimination by applicants for employment under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 has a significant negative impact on such applicants, and provides that if the results of the study show there is not a significant negative impact on such applicants, then the Act shall not take effect.

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H. Res. 716, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2119), (H.R. 3110), and (H.R. 3992) and relating to consideration of the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the bill (S. 1301) was agreed to Tuesday, October 12th.

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures: Hazard Eligibility and Local Projects Act: H.R. 1917, to modify eligibility requirements for certain hazard mitigation assistance programs;

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Advanced Air Mobility Coordination and Leadership Act: H.R. 1339, amended, to require the Secretary of Transportation to establish an advanced air mobility interagency working group; **Pages H6138–41**

Eliminating Barriers to Rural Internet Development Grant Eligibility Act: H.R. 3193, amended, to amend the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 to provide for a high-speed broadband deployment initiative; **Pages H6141–43**

Preliminary Damage Assessment Improvement Act of 2021: H.R. 3709, to direct the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to

submit to Congress a report on preliminary damage assessments and make necessary improvements to processes in the Federal Emergency Management Agency; **Pages H6143–44**

Amending title 40, United States Code, to modify the treatment of certain bargain-price options to purchase at less than fair market value: H.R. 2220, to amend title 40, United States Code, to modify the treatment of certain bargain-price options to purchase at less than fair market value; **Page H6144**

Redesignating the Federal building located at 167 North Main Street in Memphis, Tennessee as the “Odell Horton Federal Building”: H.R. 390, to redesignate the Federal building located at 167 North Main Street in Memphis, Tennessee as the “Odell Horton Federal Building”; **Page H6145**

Designating the Federal building located at 1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast in Washington, DC, as the “Norman Yoshio Mineta Federal Building”: H.R. 4679, to designate the Federal building located at 1200 New Jersey Avenue Southeast in Washington, DC, as the “Norman Yoshio Mineta Federal Building”; and **Pages H6145–46**

Designating the Federal Building and United States Courthouse located at 1125 Chapline Street in Wheeling, West Virginia, as the “Frederick P. Stamp, Jr. Federal Building and United States Courthouse”: H.R. 4660, to designate the Federal Building and United States Courthouse located at 1125 Chapline Street in Wheeling, West Virginia, as the “Frederick P. Stamp, Jr. Federal Building and United States Courthouse”. **Pages H6146–47**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H6134.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6156–57 and H6157–58.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Committee Meetings

THE IMMEDIATE CHALLENGES TO OUR NATION’S FOOD SUPPLY CHAIN

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Immediate Challenges to our Nation’s Food Supply Chain”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

A CALL TO ACTION: MODERNIZING THE COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services held a hearing en-

titled “A Call to Action: Modernizing the Community Services Block Grant”. Testimony was heard from Clarence H. Carter, Commissioner, Department of Human Services, Tennessee; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a markup on H.R. 1218, the “Data Mapping to Save Moms’ Lives Act”; and H.R. 2501, the “Spectrum Coordination Act”. H.R. 1218 and H.R. 2501 were ordered reported, as amended.

CYBER THREATS: KEEPING CONSUMER DATA AND THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM SECURE

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Financial Institutions held a hearing entitled “Cyber Threats: Keeping Consumer Data and the Financial System Secure”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ASSESSING PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES IN STATE DEPARTMENT MANAGEMENT, OPERATIONS, AND REFORMS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Assessing Progress and Challenges in State Department Management, Operations, and Reforms”. Testimony was heard from Brian P. McKeon, Deputy Secretary for Management and Resources, Department of State.

EVOLVING THE U.S. APPROACH TO CYBERSECURITY: RAISING THE BAR TODAY TO MEET THE THREATS OF TOMORROW

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Evolving the U.S. Approach to Cybersecurity: Raising the Bar Today to Meet the Threats of Tomorrow”. Testimony was heard from Chris Inglis, National Cyber Director, Executive Office of the President of the United States; and Jen Easterly, Director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 2377, the “Federal Extreme Risk Protection Order Act of 2021”; H.R. 4777, the “Nondebtor Release Prohibition Act of 2021”; H.R. 963, the “FAIR Act”; H.R. 5677, to make technical amendments to titles 2, 50, and 52, United States Code; H.R. 5679, to make technical amendments to titles 7, 20, and 43, United States Code; H.R. 5695, to make technical amendments to title 25, United States Code; and H.R. 5705, to make technical amendments to title 34, United States Code. H.R.

2377, H.R. 4777, and H.R. 963 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 5677, H.R. 5679, H.R. 5695, and H.R. 5705 were ordered reported, without amendment.

BUILD BACK BETTER ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee continued a hearing on H.R. 5376, the “Build Back Better Act”. Testimony was heard from Chairman Yarmuth, Chairman Pallone, Chairman Scott of Virginia, Chairman Waters, Chairman David Scott of Georgia, Chairman Grijalva, Chairman Velázquez, Chairman Takano, Chairman Nadler, Chairman Thompson of Mississippi, Chairman Carolyn B. Maloney of New York, and Representatives Smith of Missouri, Thompson of California, Rice of South Carolina, Rodgers of Washington, Foxx, Titus, Rouzer, McHenry, Thompson of Pennsylvania, Westerman, Luetkemeyer, Bost, Jordan, Perlmutter, Lucas, Katko, and Comer.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN THE NEW ECONOMY

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Entrepreneurship in the New Economy”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

COUNTERING DOMESTIC TERRORISM

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Counterterrorism, Counterintelligence, and Counterproliferation held a hearing entitled “Countering Domestic Terrorism”. Testimony was heard from John Cohen, Senior Official Performing the Duties of the Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis, Department of Homeland Security; and Timothy Langan, Assistant Director, Counterterrorism Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

OUR CHANGING ECONOMY: THE ECONOMIC EFFECTS OF TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION, AUTOMATION AND THE FUTURE OF WORK

Select Committee on Economic Disparity and Fairness in Growth: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Our Changing Economy: The Economic Effects of Technological Innovation, Automation and the Future of Work”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

HUNGARY AND POLAND

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine upholding Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe commitments in Hungary and Poland, after re-

ceiving testimony from Heather A. Conley, Center for Strategic and International Studies, and Dalibor Rohac, American Enterprise Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; and Zselyke Csaky, Freedom House, Budapest, Hungary.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: business meeting to consider the nominations of Rostin Behnam, of Maryland, to be Chairman, and to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the potential non-electric applications of civilian nuclear energy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 11 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the road ahead for the COVID-19 response, focusing on next steps, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 2342, to amend title 9 of the United States Code with respect to arbitration of disputes involving sexual assault and sexual harassment, S. 2629, to establish cybercrime reporting mechanisms, and the nominations of Holly A. Thomas, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Mary Katherine Dimke, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, Maame Ewusi-Mensah Frimpong, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Charlotte N. Sweeney, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, Jennifer L. Thurston, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California, Hernan D. Vera, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, and Clare E. Connors, to be United States Attorney for the District of Hawaii, Zachary A. Cunha, to be United States Attorney for the District of Rhode Island, Nikolas P. Kerest, to be United States Attorney for the District of Vermont, Cole Finegan, to be United States Attorney for the District of Colorado, and Kenneth L. Parker, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio, all of the Department of Justice, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: business meeting to consider S. 1617, to modify the requirements for the Administrator of the Small Business Administration relating to declaring a disaster in a rural area, S. 1621, to reauthorize and limit the pre-disaster mitigation program of the Small Business Administration, the nomination of Dilawar Syed, of California, to be Deputy Administrator of the Small Business Administration, and other pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SR-428A.

House

Committee on Education and Labor, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing entitled “Closing the Courthouse Doors: The Injustice of Forced Arbitration Agreements”, 10:15 a.m., Zoom.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health, markup on H.R. 1193, the “CAROL Act”; H.R. 1667, the “Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act”; H.R. 3297, the “Public Health Workforce Loan Repayment Act of 2021”; H.R. 3320, the “Allied Health Workforce Diversity Act of 2021”; H.R. 3537, the “Accelerating Access to Critical Therapies for ALS Act”; H.R. 4555, the “Oral Health Literacy and Awareness Act of 2021”; H.R. 5487, the “SHINE for Autism Act of 2021”; H.R. 5551, the “Improving the Health of Children Act”, and H.R. 5561, the “Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Reauthorization Act”, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on National Security, International Development and Monetary Policy, hearing entitled “From Timber to Tungsten: How the Exploitation of Natural Resources Funds Rogue Organizations and Regimes”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Texas Abortion Ban and its Devastating Impact on Communities and Families”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife, hearing on H. Res. 320, recognizing the critical importance of access to reliable, clean drinking water for Native Americans and Alaska Natives and confirming the responsibility of the Federal Government to ensure such water access; H.R. 4832, the “Open Access Evapotranspiration Data Act”; H.R. 5001, the “Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins Recovery Act”; and H.R. 5345, the “Saline Lake Ecosystems in the Great Basin States Program Act of 2021”, 10 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5477, the “Federal Agency Climate Planning, Resilience, and Enhanced Preparedness Act”; H.R. 4688, the “Federal Agency Customer Experience Act”; legislation on the State and Local Digital Services Act; H.R. 4778, the “District of Columbia Courts Va-

cancy Reduction Act”; and several postal naming measures, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Workforce Development, hearing entitled “The Community College Pipeline to Small Businesses”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Evolving Cybersecurity Landscape: Industry Perspectives on Securing the Nation’s Infrastructure”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Zoom.

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Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Robert Luis Santos, of Texas, to be Director of the Census. At 11 a.m., Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination of Michael Lee Connor, of Colorado, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army, and on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Robert Luis Santos, of Texas, to be Director of the Census. If cloture is invoked on the nomination of Robert Luis Santos, of Texas, to be Director of the Census, Senate will vote on confirmation thereon at 1:45 p.m.

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